

Children will be children

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

Farmer Shahidul Islam, from Dolua Dogasi village of Sadar upazila, was harvesting ripe Aman paddy in the field with labourers on Monday and his 9-year-old nephew Badal, a fourth grader, was also working with them.

Badal said he volunteered to work in the field, as he had been bored staying home all day for months, when the school remained closed due to Covid-19.

Over two hundred students at his school, Dolua Dogasi Government Primary School, are going through the same situation for more than eight months.

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seven of the schoolchildren took notice of Badal working in the field and they also decided to try the same for a little fun.

They all joined hands in binding bales of paddy and carrying those on their heads to the house of the farmer.

"I know them well and tried to stop them. But seeing the little faces excited with enthusiasm, I gave in," Shahidul, the farmer, said with a smile.

Third grader Sakib, fourth grader Nahid and fifth grader Momin said the work in the field gave them a chance to beat the doldrums of staying home for so long.

"The school days in fact were full of fun. We just didn't learn there. But we played, shared

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The little ones from Dolua Dogasi Government Primary School in Nilphamari Sadar upazila break out of their homes to enjoy a day out in the field.

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our tiffin and talked with each other. We also enjoyed our teachers' affection," said Mahin of grade four.

"We haven't been able to do the things we loved and that is really frustrating," he also said.

Ripon of fifth grade said, "Now we don't have the pressure to prepare our lessons for the next day. Even many of my classmates are getting engaged in different activities to earn some money."

Zahidul Islam, a guardian, said due to the absence of regular practice, many underprivileged young children might forget how to read or write.

Abdul Gani Master, former president of the school's managing committee, feared that the number of dropouts from schools might increase under the circumstances.

The school's head teacher, Ashraf Islam, said as per the guideline of the primary education directorate, they have been monitoring academic activities of students and creating awareness among guardians by paying visits to their homes.

"It's undeniable that our students' studies are being affected due to the corona situation. But we can't put their lives in harm's way by keeping the schools open," said district primary education officer Nobezuddin Sarker.

The usual academic activities might start soon after the situation is improved, he added.



Members of 'The Birds Safety House,' an environment friendly organization, rescued four new born fishing cats from Udaypur village in Sirajganj's Kamarkhand upazila yesterday noon. Mamun Biswas, organizer of the association, is seen taking care of the kittens later in the day.

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পটিয়া, চট্টগ্রাম

স্মারক নং: উস্বাওপপক/পটি/এমএসআর/২০-২১/৫৪৭৫ তারিখ: ০১/১২/২০২০ইং

সংশোধিত বিজ্ঞপ্তি (আংশিক)

চট্টগ্রাম জেলার পটিয়া উপজেলা স্বাস্থ্য কমপ্লেক্সের স্মারক নং উস্বাওপপক/পটি/এমএসআর/২০-২১/৫৪০০ তাং-৩০/১১/২০২০ইং মূলে ২০২০-২০২১ অর্থ বছরে এমএসআর সামগ্রী সরবরাহের টিকাদার নিয়োগের নিমিত্তে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশ করা হয়। উক্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তির নিম্নলিখিত অংশ আংশিকভাবে সংশোধনপূর্বক বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশ করা হইল।

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Woman 'burnt by husband' dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

A woman, who was set on fire allegedly by her husband over family feud in Jashore's Abhaynagar upazila on November 26, succumbed to her burn injuries on the way to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) early yesterday.

The deceased, Hira Begum, 25, wife of Billal Sardar, was a resident of Garuhat area under Singari village in the upazila.

Victim's brother Yeasin Sardar said Hira's husband Billal had been trying to convince and take her to India for long.

But as Hira was repeatedly refusing to accept his proposal, Billal tortured her inhumanly for a number of occasions.

As a sequel to the feud, Billal first poured petrol on her body and set her ablaze on November 26.

Hearing screams, neighbours rushed to the spot, rescued her and admitted her to Abhaynagar Upazila Health Complex, from where she was shifted to Khulna Medical College Hospital the same evening.

Meanwhile, following deterioration of her condition she was referred to DMCH on Wednesday night, but she died on way to the hospital early yesterday, Yeasin added.

Officer in Charge (Investigation) of Abhaynagar Police Station Milon Kumar said a case was filed in this connection and they were conducting drives to arrest the culprit.

Drug addict kills wife

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A woman was killed allegedly by her drug addict husband for money in Joypurhat Sadar upazila early yesterday.

The deceased, Suborna Sarkar, 30, was wife of Hridoy Sarkar of Beroil village in the upazila.

Police, however, detained Hridoy, 36, for alleged involvement in the murder.

Quoting locals, police said Hridoy, a drug addict youth, often used to torture his wife for money.

On Wednesday night, the couple locked in an altercation over the issue and later went to sleep.

Around midnight Hridoy woke up and strangled his wife to death before trying to flee the scene, locals said, adding that neighbours caught Hridoy from the spot and handed him over to the police.

Being informed, police recovered the body and sent it to Joypurhat Modern Hospital for autopsy, Officer in Charge of Joypurhat Sadar Police Station Alamgir Jahan said, adding that a case was filed with the police station in this regard.

Earlier on November 26, another drug addict stabbed his 22-day-old kid to death in Dinajpur's Phulbari upazila after his wife refused to give him money for buying drugs.

FF FARUK MURDER CASE

Ex-Tangail mayor Mukti sent to jail on surrender

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

A Tangail court on Wednesday rejected the bail petitions of former Tangail municipality mayor Shahidur Rahman Khan Mukti and sent him to jail after he surrendered before it in connection with a case for murdering valiant freedom fighter Faruk Ahmed.

After remaining absconding for nearly six years, Mukti, one of the accused in the murder case, surrendered before Tangail First Additional District and Sessions Judge's Court on Wednesday morning and sought bail through his lawyer.

After the hearing, Judge Sikandar Julkarnine rejected his bail prayer and sent him to the prison.

Mukti, son of Ataur Rahman Khan, incumbent Awami League lawmaker from Tangail-3 constituency, is younger brother of Amanur Rahman Khan Rana, former lawmaker of the constituency, APP Monirul Islam Khan said.

According to the case statement, bullet-hit body of Awami League (AL) leader Faruk was found near his house on January 18, 2013.

During investigation, police found involvement of Rana, and his three younger brothers, including Mukti, in this connection.

In September 18, 2018, Rana surrendered before a lower court that rejected his bail prayer and sent him to jail.

He later came out of jail after securing bail from the High Court.

Institute of Business Administration (IBA) University of Dhaka



Condolence Message



We are deeply shocked at the sad demise of Mr. Shahzaman Mozumder, Bir Proteek. He was the student of MBA 11th Batch, IBA, University of Dhaka. He breathed his last on 2nd December 2020 afternoon (Innalillaha Wa Inna lliha Rajeun). On behalf of IBA family, University of Dhaka, we express our deepest sympathy at the death of Mr. Shahzaman Mozumder, Bir Proteek and convey our sincere condolence to his family and relatives he left behind. We all are praying to the Almighty Allah SWT for eternal peace of the departed soul and for giving his family the strength to overcome the grief and loss.

We sympathy,
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- Expression of Interest (EOI) : Selection of Consulting Firm.
- EOI Ref. No. & date : SFD(GBMS)1003/6/2/2020-2115 Date: 02/12/2020.
- Procurement sub-method : Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
- Budget and source of funds : Foreign grant.
- Project title : Upscaling regulatory landscape of Green Banking for Shariah Based Banks and Financial Institutions in Bangladesh.
- Assignment title : Hiring Consulting Firm (National) for Development of Training Manual and Comprehensive Training Program for Bangladesh Bank Officials on Shariah Based Green Banking.
- EOI closing date and time : 20/12/2020 at 3:00pm.
- Brief description of the assignment : Bangladesh Bank (BB) has received financing from Green Climate Fund (GCF) to implement a policy framework or a white paper on Shariah based green financing. To carry out the project successfully, consultancy service is needed to develop training manual and arrange comprehensive training program for Bangladesh Bank Officials on Shariah Based Green Banking, including Sustainable Financing.
- Qualifications and experience : Consultant firm should be locally enlisted. The firm should have established and credible credentials, expertise, and track record in undertaking comprehensive development of training manuals on Shariah Based Green Banking, including Sustainable Finance, for banking and financial sector. The experts employed by the firm for the project should demonstrate experience and knowledge of Islamic finance and financial regulatory landscape of Bangladesh.
- Other details : Expected term of the assignment is 16 (sixteen) months. The prospective consulting firm shall submit all supporting documents in BB website (<http://etender.bb.org.bd>) or through e-mail stated below. Interested candidates may obtain "Terms of Reference (ToR)" from the website of Bangladesh Bank (<http://www.bb.org.bd/aboutus/tenders/tenders.php>). Application/proposal will not be accepted after EOI closing time.

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- Assignment title : Hiring Consulting Firm (National) for the Feasibility Study and Development of Guidelines on Green Sukuk for the Shariah Based Banks and Financial Institutions.
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